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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7666

BILL NUMBER: HB 1293

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 3, 2005

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Police Chief Contracts and Emergency Dispatch.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Whetstone

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows a town with a merit commission or a board of metropolitan police commissioners to enter into a contract with an individual for the position of police chief. It provides that the term of the contract may not extend after the earlier of the following dates: (1) Four years after the date the contract is executed. (2) December 31 of a year after a municipal or general election at which any town legislative body member is elected.

The bill provides that an individual acting as an emergency medical dispatcher does not have to be certified by the Emergency Medical Services Commission as an emergency medical dispatcher until July 1, 2006, instead of July 1, 2005. It also provides that an emergency medical dispatch agency does not have to be certified by the Emergency Medical Services Commission as an emergency medical dispatch agency until July 1, 2006, instead of July 1, 2005.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The provisions regarding the Emergency Medical Services Commission should not have a fiscal impact.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The fiscal impact this bill is dependent on any difference there may be in the remuneration of the police chief given the contract versus being appointed. The impact is also dependent on local action.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Town Police Merit Systems; Town Boards of Metropolitan Police Commissioners.

Information Sources:

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